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FOR USDEL

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SUBJECT: UN DESERTIFICATION CONFERENCE: PLAN OF
ACTION STRATEGY

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1. AS REFTEL NOTES, THERE ARE SEVERAL OPTIONS FOR
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HANDLING POLITICAL ISSUES IN THE CONFERENCE PLAN OF
ACTION REPORT. MOST DESIRABLE OUTCOME WOULD BE A
TECHNICAL, NON-POLITICAL PLAN OF ACTION (WHICH WE COULD
SUPPORT WITHOUT RESERVATIONS), AND INDIVIDUAL RESOLUTIONS
ON POLITICAL ISSUES (WHICH WE COULD SUPPORT/OPPOSE AS
APPROPRIATE). LEAST DESIRABLE OUTCOME, OF COURSE,
WOULD BE A HIGHLY POLITICIZED CONFERENCE PLAN OF

ACTION, FROM WHICH WE WOULD HAVE TO DISSOCIATE OURSELVES EITHER BY VOTING AGAINST IT, ABSTAINING OR GOING ALONG WITH CONSENSUS AND MAKING A STATEMENT OF RESERVATIONS. CONSEQUENTLY, DEL SHOULD SEEK TO HAVE POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS CONFINED TO RESOLUTIONS WHICH COULD ACCOMPANY CONFERENCE REPORTS.

2. DEL IS IN BEST POSITION TO GUAGE THE POSSIBILITIES OF ACHIEVING CONCRETE RESULTS ALONG THESE LINES WITH THE MINIMUM OF POLITICAL INTRUSIONS. YOU MAY WISH,

IN YOUR CORRIDOR TALKS, TO REFER TO THE SUCCESS OF THE WATER CONFERENCE IN DEALING WITH THE TECHNICAL/POLITICAL ISSUES; AND WE THINK YOU WILL FIND A RECEPTIVE EAR TO THIS APPROACH, ESPECIALLY AMONG AFRICANS BUOYED BY THE SUCCESSFUL RESULTS OF THE RECENTLY-CONCLUDED LAGOS ANTI-APARTHEID CONFERENCE. IN ANY EVENT, CONSISTENT AND STRONG EMPHASIS ON OUR OWN PACKAGE OF CONCRETE PROPOSALS FOR THIS CONFERENCE CAN BOLSTER OUR ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE CONFERENCE BECOMING SIDE-TRACKED ON DIVISIVE POLITICAL QUESTIONS.

3. IN SUBSEQUENT REPORTING ON THIS ISSUE, PLEASE PROVIDE DEPARTMENT WITH BACKGROUND ON VARIOUS COUNTRY OR GROUP POSITIONS, AND YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION.
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